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the labeling moiety comprises a label and a spacer, wherein the spacer is coupled at one end to the Pt atom and at the other end to the label, the spacer comprising a chain having at least four atoms.

- 24. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein the aliphatic diamine has 2-6 carbon atoms.
- 25. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein the aliphatic diamine has the formula G₂NCH₂ CH₂ NG₂, wherein G represents H or an alkyl group of from 1 to 6 carbon atoms.
- 26. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein X represents ethylenediamine.
- 27. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein X represents N,N,N',N'-tetramethylethylenediamine.
- 28. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein the spacer comprises no more twenty carbon atoms.
- 29. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 28, wherein the carbon atoms are non-branched.
- 30. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein the spacer comprises at least four carbon atoms and at least one heteroatom.
- 31. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 30, wherein the heteroatom is oxygen.
- 32. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 31, wherein the spacer is 1,8-diamino-3,6-

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dioxaoctane.

- 33. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein the spacer is an oligolysine or a polylysine.
- 34. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein the label is radioactive.
- 35. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein the label is an enzyme.
- 36. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein the label is a component of a specific binding pair.
- 37. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 36, wherein the specific binding pair is biotin and either avidin or streptavidin.
- 38. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein the label is a dye, a fluorochrome, or a reducing agent.
- 39. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein the label is digoxygenin.
- 40. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein the nucleotide is adenine, thymidine, cytosine, guanine, or uridine.
- 41. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein the nucleotide is adenine, thymidine, cytosine, and either guanine or uridine.
- 42. The labeled nucleotide according to claim 23, wherein the nucleotide is a purine.



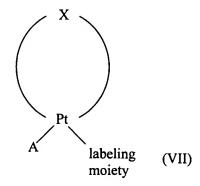
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43. A method for labeling a nucleotide comprising:

providing a nucleotide;

providing a labeling substance having formula VII,



wherein:

X represents an aliphatic diamine;

A represents a reactive moiety capable of reacting with the nucleotide, thereby attaching the nucleotide to the labeling substance when the reactive moiety reacts with the nucleotide;

the labeling moiety comprises a spacer comprising an electron donating moiety bonded to the platinum atom, a chain having at least four atoms attached to the electron donating moiety, and a label attached to the end of the chain distal to the electron donating moiety; and,

reacting the reactive moiety with the nucleotide, thereby labeling the nucleotide.



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- 44. The method according to claim 43, wherein X represents an aliphatic diamine having 2-6 carbon atoms.
- 45. The method according to claim 43, wherein X represents an aliphatic diamine having the formula G₂NCH₂ CH₂ NG₂, wherein G represents H or an alkyl group of from 1 to 6 carbon atoms.
- 46. The method according to claim 43, wherein X represents ethylenediamine.
- 47. The method according to claim 43, wherein X represents N,N,N',N'-tetramethylethylenediamine.
- 48. The method according to claim 43, wherein A represents NO₃, SO₃, Cl, I, other halogen or Me₂SO.
- 49. The method according to claim 43, wherein A represents NO₃.
- 50. The method according to claim 43, wherein the spacer comprises no more twenty carbon atoms.
- 51. The method according to claim 50, wherein the carbon atoms are non-branched.
- 52. The method according to claim 43, wherein the spacer comprises at least four carbon atoms and at least one heteroatom.
- 53. The method according to claim 52, wherein the heteroatom is oxygen.
- 54. The method according to claim 53, wherein the spacer is 1,8-diamino-3,6-

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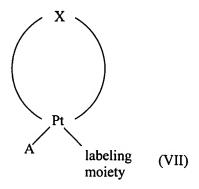
- 55. The method according to claim 43, wherein the spacer is an oligolysine or a polylysine.
- 56. The method according to claim 43, wherein the electron donating moiety is an amino group or a thiolate group.
- 57. The method according to claim 56, wherein the amino group is an aromatic amino group.
- 58. The method according to claim 56, wherein the amino group is an imidazole or purine group.
- 59. The method according to claim 43, wherein the label is radioactive.
- 60. The method according to claim 43, wherein the label is an enzyme.
- 61. The method according to claim 43, wherein the label is a component of a specific binding pair.
- 62. The method according to claim 61, wherein the specific binding pair is biotin and either avidin or streptavidin.
- 63. The method according to claim 43, wherein the label is a dye, a fluorochrome, or a reducing agent.
- 64. The method according to claim 43, wherein the label is digoxygenin.



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- 65. The method according to claim 43, wherein the nucleotide is adenine, thymidine, cytosine, guanine, or uridine.
- 66. The method according to claim 43, wherein the nucleotide is adenine, thymidine, cytosine, and either guanine or uridine, or guanine and uridine.
- 67. The method according to claim 43, wherein the nucleotide is a purine.
- 68. A labeling substance having formula VII:



wherein:

X represents an aliphatic diamine;

A represents a reactive moiety; and

the labeling moiety comprises a label and a spacer, wherein the spacer is coupled at one end to the Pt atom and at the other end to the label, the spacer comprising a chain having



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at least four atoms.

- 69. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein X represents an aliphatic diamine having 2-6 carbon atoms.
- 70. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein X represents an aliphatic diamine having the formula G₂NCH₂ CH₂ NG₂, wherein G represents H or an alkyl group of from 1 to 6 carbon atoms.
- 71. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein X represents ethylenediamine.
- 72. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein X represents N,N,N',N'-tetramethylethylenediamine.
- 73. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein A represents NO₃, SO₃, Cl, I, other halogen or Me₂SO.
- 74. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein the spacer comprises no more twenty carbon atoms.
- 75. The labeling substance according to claim 74, wherein the carbon atoms are non-branched.
- 76. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein the spacer comprises at least four carbon atoms and at least one heteroatom.
- 77. The labeling substance according to claim 76, wherein the heteroatom is oxygen.



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- 78. The labeling substance according to claim 77, wherein the spacer is 1,8-diamino-3,6-dioxaoctane.
- 79. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein the spacer is an oligolysine or a polylysine.
- 80. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein the electron donating moiety is an amino group or a thiolate group.
- 81. The labeling substance according to claim 80, wherein the amino group is an aromatic amino group.
- 82. The labeling substance according to claim 80, wherein the amino group is an imidazole or purine group.
- 83. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein the spacer reactive moiety is NH₂.
- 84. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein the label is radioactive.
- 85. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein the label is an enzyme.
- 86. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein the label is a component of a specific binding pair.
- 87. The labeling substance according to claim 86, wherein the specific binding pair is biotin and either avidin or streptavidin.



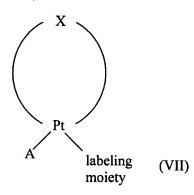
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- 88. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein the label is a dye, a fluorochrome, or a reducing agent.
- 89. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein the label is digoxygenin.
- 90. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein the nucleotide is adenine, thymidine, cytosine, guanine, or uridine.
- 91. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein the nucleotide is adenine, thymidine, cytosine, and either guanine or uridine.
- 92. The labeling substance according to claim 68, wherein the nucleotide is a purine.
- 93. A kit for labeling a nucleotide comprising:

a nucleotide; and

a labeling substance having formula VII,





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wherein:

X represents an aliphatic diamine;

A represents a reactive moiety capable of reacting with the nucleotide, thereby attaching the nucleotide to the labeling substance when the reactive moiety reacts with the nucleotide;

the labeling moiety comprises a spacer comprising an electron donating moiety bonded to the platinum atom, a chain having at least four atoms attached to the electron donating moiety, and a label attached to the end of the chain distal to the electron donating moiety.

- 94. The kit according to claim 93, wherein X represents an aliphatic diamine having 2-6 carbon atoms.
- 95. The kit according to claim 93, wherein X represents an aliphatic diamine having the formula G₂NCH₂ CH₂ NG₂, wherein G represents H or an alkyl group of from 1 to 6 carbon atoms.
- 96. The kit according to claim 93, wherein X represents ethylenediamine.
- 97. The kit according to claim 93, wherein X represents N,N,N',N'-tetramethylethylenediamine.
- 98. The kit according to claim 93, wherein A represents NO₃, SO₃, Cl⁻, I⁻, other halogen or Me₂SO.

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- 99. The kit according to claim 93, wherein A represents NO₃.
- 100. The kit according to claim 93, wherein the spacer comprises no more than twenty carbon atoms.
- 101. The kit according to claim 100, wherein the carbon atoms are non-branched.
- 102. The kit according to claim 93, wherein the spacer comprises at least four carbon atoms and at least one heteroatom.
- 103. The kit according to claim 102, wherein the heteroatom is oxygen.
- 104. The kit according to claim 102, wherein the spacer is 1,8-diamino-3,6-dioxaoctane.
- 105. The kit according to claim 93, wherein the spacer is an oligolysine or a polylysine.
- 106. The kit according to claim 93, wherein the electron donating moiety is an amino group or a thiolate group.
- 107. The kit according to claim 106, wherein the amino group is an aromatic amino group.
- 108. The kit according to claim 106, wherein the amino group is an imidazole or purine group.
- 109. The kit according to claim 93, wherein the label is radioactive.
- 110. The kit according to claim 93, wherein the label is an enzyme.

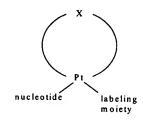


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111. The kit according to claim 93, wherein the label is a component of a specific binding pair.

- 112. The kit according to claim 111, wherein the specific binding pair is biotin and either avidin or streptavidin.
- 113. The kit according to claim 93, wherein the label is a dye, a fluorochrome, or a reducing agent.
- 114. The kit according to claim 93, wherein the label is digoxygenin.
- 115. The kit according to claim 93, wherein the nucleotide is adenine, thymidine, cytosine, guanine, or uridine.
- 116. The kit according to claim 93, wherein the nucleotide is a mixture of adenine, thymidine, cytosine, and either guanine or uridine, or guanine and uridine.
- 117. The kit according to claim 93, wherein the nucleotide is a purine.
- 118. A kit for producing a labeled nucleic acid comprising:a labeled nucleotide having formula:





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wherein X represents an aliphatic diamine; and
the labeling moiety comprises a label and a spacer, wherein the spacer
is coupled at one end to the Pt atom and at the other end to the label,
the spacer comprising a chain having at least four atoms; and
unlabeled nucleotides.

- 119. The kit according to claim 118, wherein X represents an aliphatic diamine having 2-6 carbon atoms.
- 120. The kit according to claim 118, wherein X represents an aliphatic diamine having the formula G₂NCH₂CH₂NG₂, wherein G represents H or an alkyl group of from 1 to 6 carbon atoms.
- 121. The kit according to claim 118, wherein X represents ethylenediamine.
- 122. The kit according to claim 118, wherein X represents N,N,N',N'-tetramethylethylenediamine.
- 123. The kit according to claim 118, wherein the spacer comprises no more than twenty carbon atoms.
- 124. The kit according to claim 123, wherein the carbon atoms are non-branched.
- 125. The kit according to claim 118, wherein the spacer comprises at least four carbon atoms and at least one heteroatom.
- 126. The kit according to claim 125, wherein the heteroatom is oxygen.



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- 127. The kit according to claim 125, wherein the spacer is 1,8-diamino-3,6-dioxaoctane.
- 128. The kit according to claim 118, wherein the spacer is an oligolysine or a polylysine.
- 129. The kit according to claim 118, wherein the label is radioactive.
- 130. The kit according to claim 118, wherein the label is an enzyme.
- 131. The kit according to claim 118, wherein the label is a component of a specific binding pair.
- 132. The kit according to claim 131, wherein the specific binding pair is biotin and either avidin or streptavidin.
- 133. The kit according to claim 118, wherein the label is a dye, a fluorochrome, or a reducing agent.
- 134. The kit according to claim 118, wherein the label is digoxygenin.
- 135. The kit according to claim 118, wherein the labeled nucleotide is labeled adenine, thymidine, cytosine, guanine, uridine, or combinations thereof.
- 136. The kit according to claim 118, wherein the unlabeled nucleotide is adenine, thymidine, cytosine, guanine, uridine, or combinations thereof.



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137. The kit according to claim 118, wherein the labeled nucleotide is a purine.